

Appl. No. 10/812,889
Amdt. Dated: 07/06/06
Reply to Office action of 05/25/06

Remarks/Arguments:

The specification is amended at page 1 to update the status of the co-pending patent application cited thereon.

Claim 1, the only independent claim, is amended responsive to the Examiner's objection to the term "PCB", which is replaced with the term -- printed circuit board --. Support is found at page 1, line 17. Claim 1 is also amended to remove the phrase "and the like electronic packaging products", in response to the Examiner's comment that the term "or the like" is indefinite. The rejection under *35 USC 112* as cited on page 3 of the Action is thus overcome and withdrawal thereof is respectfully urged.

Finally, claim 1 is also amended to include the language of dependent claim 11, deemed allowable by the Examiner if presented in independent form. Claim 11 is thus cancelled, and dependent claim 12, dependent from claim 11, is amended to depend from claim 1. Claim 1 is thus deemed allowable, as are the remaining original dependent claims 2-10 and 12-20. Allowance is most respectfully requested.

By this Response, Applicants do not concede that the cited document (Bindra – 5,229,550) or any other documents of record herein teach or suggest the invention as defined in original claim 1 and hereby reserve their right to further prosecution of said original claim and other appropriate dependent claims in due course within a continuing application. Applicants are accepting the allowable subject matter for the purpose of obtaining an expedited allowance and subsequent issuance of a patent to the claims so allowed to thereby enhance potential licensing of said patent.

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The Application is deemed in condition for allowance and such action on the part of the Examiner is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe, however, that differences remain which, if overcome, would result in allowance of the Application and that said differences can be discussed in a phone conversation, the Examiner is respectfully requested to phone the undersigned, at the number below, for the purpose of discussing said differences and, hopefully, securing an allowance for this Application.

Respectfully submitted,



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